

## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1221

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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Madison Olive, 2008  
Valedictorian of Lexington High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Madison Olive is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2008 graduating class at Lexington High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. Olive has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Madison Olive has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, a remarkably talented young woman, Ms. Olive was a member of the school's nationally ranked dance team; her solid work ethic, combined with an unswervingly positive outlook and infectious spirit that earned her the team's Best Attitude Award, allowed her to lead the team as Captain; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her status as a stellar scholar, this exceptional student has earned numerous other accolades; she attended the People to People World Leadership Forum in 2004 and served as an American Legion Girl's State Delegate. She also won LHS Class Favorite three years, and during her senior year, she was selected Best All Around Senior Girl and Miss LHS; and

WHEREAS, an esteemed leader among her peers, Madison Olive has served with distinction as Class President all four years, as a student council member for four years, as Beta Club President, as Editor for the annual staff, as Beta Upsilon Mu Sorority President, as

Fellowship of Christian Athletes President, and as Tiger Action Calendar and News Publisher; and

WHEREAS, a valuable participant in her school's activities and her community's affairs, Ms. Olive has been a member of several academic, social, and civic organizations, including the Renaissance team; and

WHEREAS, she has evidenced a strong commitment to public service and good citizenship at an early age, and she volunteers her time and considerable talents to several noteworthy causes and organizations, including the Carl Perkins Center, Katrina relief efforts, the Lexington Civic League, elementary school summer reading programs, Friends of LHS, the Tennessee Education Association, Relay for Life, and the Lexington Lions Club; and

WHEREAS, Madison Olive's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Olive's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Bobby and Cindy Olive, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Madison Olive's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2008 Lexington High School Valedictorian, Madison Olive, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.